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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. William E. Colby  
Executive Director-Comptroller


SUBJECT : Saigon Staffing

1. Attached is a copy of Embassy Saigon's 16183 (EXDIS). The whimsicality of the gnomes who determine cable distribution never ceases to amaze me. I note that OCI, ONE and OER all got copies of this message, whereas you did not. In any event, I would appreciate your looking through it since I would like to chat about it briefly after you have had a chance to read it.

2. What I am mainly concerned with is your views on whether the Mission is marching in the right direction. I am a trifle troubled by the fact that this staffing pattern -- which will doubtless spray all over State and AID/Washington --  field slots; but if this is the only horse that gets out of the barn during the next few weeks I suppose we can all be grateful. Please give me a call when you have a minute for conversation after you have had a chance to look this over.

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Attachment  
EMBASSY SAIGON 16183

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